

ABSTRACT

The present invention is directed to a food product or food product intermediate which incorporates short chain beta glucan or modified short chain beta glucan, those having an average molecular weight of less than 50,000 Daltons, and preferably in the range of 500 to 2,500 Daltons, to enhance bile acid binding capacity resulting in improved hypocholesterolemic effects.

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